

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN EAST NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

ARMS CONCERNS ENLARGING.

Winchester Company to Erect a \$245,700 Factory, and Remington Company to Add One to Cost \$21,000.

The Winchester Repeating Arms Company of New Haven has applied to city authorities for a building permit for a factory structure to cost \$245,700 to be erected on Winchester avenue. The plans call for a five-story building, 54,414 feet, with heavy dividing walls, that will virtually separate the structure into two, of 207 feet each. The building will be devoted to manufacturing purposes, and its erection will be by the Atherton Construction Company of Boston.

The Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company of Bridgeport has been granted a permit for the erection of a one-story concrete factory structure, Arctic street, to cost \$21,000.

It is stated in this connection that the Remington Company, which has war orders from three of the warring nations is not now engaged in making Remington rifles, but is turning out thousands of the heavy Russian rifles, used both by the Russian and French armies. The company is also making bayonets the blades of which are as sharp as razors from point to hilt.

BUILDING AND BUSINESS.

A Number of Contracts Awarded and Big Projects Figured About State.

Substantial gains are shown during the past week in real estate sales. Sales by warranty deeds in the city reported by the Commercial Record number 317 as against 247 in the same week of last year, while mortgage loans for the past week were \$301,412, comparing with \$232,314 last year.

The seven new companies organized last week have total capitalization of \$202,000. Last year during the same period there were three incorporations with aggregate capital of \$85,000.

Petitions in bankruptcy during the past week numbered four, with assets of \$18,099 and liabilities of \$13,844, a record somewhat larger than last year, when there were but three petitions with assets of \$2,422 and liabilities of \$9,484.

Building permits were granted during the past week in the cities of Hartford, New Haven, Bridgeport, Waterbury and Stamford to the number of 94 for buildings costing \$402,500. Increases being noted in New Haven and Bridgeport. Last year in the same cities but 64 permits were issued for buildings costing \$39,346 and in 1913, 32 permits for buildings costing \$166,150.

Contracts awarded last week include five residences in New Canaan, Greenwich, Norwalk, New Haven and Bridgeport, factory work in Bridgeport and New Haven, building for bowling alleys and squash courts in New Haven; clubhouse in Derby and number of family houses in New Haven, Bridgeport, Hartford and Waterbury. Another important contract let is for the Stratford avenue bridge in Bridgeport costing \$420,000.

The largest project for which plans are being estimated is for new buildings at the New Haven hospital, which will cost about \$300,000. Other new work reported includes parish house in West Haven, factory work in New Haven and New Britain, store and apartment buildings in Bridgeport, proving plant in New Britain, a business block in Waterbury and comfort station, brick garage and a number of two family houses in Hartford.

During the past week there were seven sales of real estate in Norwich against four a year ago, most of which loans during the past week amounted to \$11,200 while a year ago the total was \$5,550.

In New London the realty sales last week totaled eight, the same as a year ago. Loans amounted to \$12,300 against \$2,240 a year ago.

BUILDING OPERATIONS

IN NEW ENGLAND

Statistics of Building and Engineering operations in New England as compiled by The F. W. Dodge Company follow:

Contracts to Sept. 1, 1915, \$121,604,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1914, 122,234,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1913, 121,065,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1912, 121,065,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1911, 118,116,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1910, 113,960,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1909, 77,448,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1908, 71,922,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1907, 94,793,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1906, 86,216,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1905, 77,448,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1904, 62,517,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1903, 76,416,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1902, 90,056,000
Contracts to Sept. 1, 1901, 83,624,000

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TAFTVILLE PICTURE HOUSE AND BLOCK

Plans Being Estimated for Former and Contract Let for Later—Excavation Started for Residence on Elmwood Avenue for Edgar Allen—Other Activities in Building Line.

Plans and specifications have been made and are being estimated for a large moving picture show building to be erected on Merchants avenue, Taftville, by Dr. George Thompson. The building is to be 45x33 feet in size and will have a large gallery. The main floor will pitch. There is to be a large stage at the rear end, with a proscenium arch 15 feet high and 24 feet wide. The ventilation is carefully provided for, as is also the steam heat, electric wiring, seating, etc. The booth will be fireproof and every requirement demanded by state laws is being fully considered. Work will commence immediately on receipt of estimates. Architect Preston prepared the plans.

New Store Front.
Franklin H. Brown has had sketches made for changes over the store on Broadway occupied until Oct. 1st by A. L. Potter & Co., who will at that time vacate. The front will be removed, new plate glass will be installed, and a total new front placed to match the restaurant front. All partitions are to be removed. The floors are to be laid, and there will be new painting, etc.

Another Taftville Block.
The contract for the new block, 50x60 feet, to be built on Hunter avenue, Taftville, for Joseph C. Marsan, has been awarded by Architect Preston to the Fenton Bros. company, they being the lowest bidders. The contract includes all parts except plumbing and heating. There will be metal ceilings throughout, steel beams for supports, electric wiring, Pittsburgh plate glass for the three store fronts, Bee Hive roofing, large roof skylight, etc. The contract also calls for ratproof storage room for whole rear of building, to be used for storage of goods. The upper stories will be for flats, and work is to be commenced immediately.

Church Repairs.
At Trinity Episcopal church on Main street workmen are engaged in making needed repairs to the roof gutters.

Car Barn Started.
Contractor C. Morgan Williams, who has been awarded the \$10,000 contract for the construction of a new car barn at Thamesville for the Shore Line Electric company, began the preliminary construction work this week. The tools were taken down on Tuesday and a force of men began work Wednesday morning. The barn is to be of brick with accommodations for 35 or the large double truck cars, and will be of fire proof construction.

Store Front Remodeled.
Contractor Charles I. Rathbun has started work on the remodeling of the store in the building on Thames street owned by James Allen. The old front was to be replaced by a new one with plate glass windows and metallic ceiling has been installed with new wiring.

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Plumbing and heating for Amedeo Pion's new block on Hunter avenue, Taftville, has been awarded to James Fenton Bros. of New Britain, they being the lowest bidder. This building is 40x30 feet, three stories high, with store and tenements.

The general contract for the erection of a modern two story residence on the site of the Slater lot on Elmwood avenue for the Fenton Bros. building has been awarded to Peck & McWilliams Co., Contractor C. De Carlo, who has the foundation work, started a force of men at work Wednesday morning. The heating and plumbing contract has been awarded J. F. Tompkins.

The building is to be 31x40 feet, will contain seven rooms and will have single roof. There are to be hardwood floors, hot water heating, electric lights and other modern improvements. The plans were prepared by Architects Cudworth, Woodworth & Thompson.

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NEW LONDON.

Figures Being Secured for Gymnasium for Woman's College—Other Construction Work.

Contractors now have the plans for the gymnasium to be erected at the Woman's College and figures are expected soon. It will be a frame building with a shingled exterior, 60x70 and 18 feet high. There will be the usual equipment for a gymnasium and the heating will be by an extension from the main plant.

Closed In.
The residence of Arthur T. Keefe on Bentley avenue has been closed in by the contractor. It is a seven room house with all improvements.

New Block.
The bids have been considered for the block which W. T. Connor is to erect at the corner of Bank and Shaw streets and it is expected that the contract will be awarded next week. It will be of brick and cast stone construction, two stories high, 18x24 and will be arranged for two stories and will have all conveniences.

Repairing Damaged Building.
The damage caused by the recent fire in the buildings on Franklin street owned by William H. Oak is being repaired and the work is well along. The repairs are of a general nature, few alterations being made. The alterations are to be made by the contractor, who is now working on the repairs.

Two Family Houses.
Two family houses are being erected on Ocean avenue for Charles Sullivan and Mr. O'Keefe. They will have all improvements.

Other Houses.
The contract has been let to Lamphere & Denison for a frame residence 18x26 on Raymond street for C. A. Edgerton.

Building Nearly Done.
The brick building being erected on Franklin street by the contractor is now approaching the finished stage. The building has been covered in and plastered, and the interior finish will be completed as soon as possible. The new store front which Mr. Paganon built on the old store in his building on Franklin street is now completed. It is a substantial improvement over the old front.

New Hard Wood Floor.
At Trinity Episcopal church the past few weeks carpenters have been busy laying a new hard wood floor in the Sunday school room and making other needed improvements. The battlement linoleum is being laid this week and it is expected that the new room will be ready for use by Sunday.

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County Improvement League Data

By County Agent F. C. WARNER

The Play of the Young Boy and Girl.
As the little children grow up, their desires for recreation and play broaden. They want to go fishing and hunting and swimming. The country always holds some new phase of life or excitement, if it is rightly directed, and understood, the child can gain untold riches from the nature that surrounds him. Here again the father and mother can be of inestimable value to him, encouraging and helping him in every tendency which he shows. Gain his confidence, cultivate and enjoy with him the things which interest him; and let him come to you with all his treasures and his great adventures.

So only can you give to your children and gain from them the great and happy moments of life.
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The cork sawdust seemed to possess value.
All of the materials used kept the apples cooler than when gone were used. However, shrinkage, decay and flavor injury were more fatal than the temperature. Mill sawdust from resinous woods imparts and undesirable flavor to apples. This is not true with hard wood sawdust.

Four kinds of protective dips were employed to detect their influence in the preservation of apples.
Sulphate, bordeaux, lime water and paraffin were used as immersion fluids preliminary to storage. Borax was most effective in retarding decay and preserving flavor. The apples kept best that were first immersed in bordeaux and then packed in hard wood sawdust. However, apples dipped in bordeaux kept nearly as well as those in sulphate, lime water and paraffin. Their flavor, if anything, was better.

The structure of the flesh and skin of an apple have much to do with its keeping quality.
The best keepers have firm flesh, compact tissue and a thick, strong skin.

The following is a list of the owners and cows.
Owner and Lbs. Per Cent Lbs. Bred of Cow Milk Butterfat

Manning & Son—
Holstein 1092 4.2 42.5
Jersey 1141 4.5 43.4

B. H. Brady—
Holstein 1097 4.0 43.9
Jersey 1051 3.9 41.0

J. D. Avery—
Jersey 1135 3.7 42.0
Jersey 874 4.3 42.0

L. H. Smith—
Holstein 1001 3.5 38.0
Jersey 1082 3.2 34.5

G. W. Davis—
Holstein 1082 3.2 34.5
Jersey 837 3.0 44.6

J. W. Frink—
Jersey 1004 2.5 35.1

Farm Storage of Apples.
Some investigations have been made relative to farm apple storage. The results indicate that there is need of much improvement. Further attention may properly be given the preservation of a crop after it is produced. It is as important to preserve as it is to produce. Trials were conducted to learn the effect of different mechanical means in the storage of apples. Mill sawdust, cork sawdust, leaves, chopped hay, paper wrappers and sand were tried out. Shrinkage and decay